

**C Dev 503: Community Development I: Principles & Strategies of Community Change (3 credits) Taught by Iowa State****Course Dates: August 25-December 5, 2008**

Analysis of principles and practices of community change and development. Use of case studies to relate community development approaches to conceptual models from diverse disciplines. Exploration of professional practice principles, and student construction of their personal framework for practicing community development. This course is required before taking other core courses.

Textbook information:

Rural Communities: Legacy and Change 3rd edition (Flora and Flora) 2008, Westview Press. ISBN: 9780813343778

Keller, Suzanne. 2003. Community: Pursuing the Dream, Living the Reality. Princeton: Princeton University Press. ISBN 0-691-09564-7 (paperback)

Instructor: Cornelia Flora; [cflora@iastate.edu](mailto:cflora@iastate.edu)

**C Dev 508: Ecological Economics (3 credits) Taught by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln****Course Dates: September 29-December 12, 2008**

Exploration of synthesis across the notion of "utility" as represented in environmental/natural resource economics, as well as the notion of "ecology" in ecological economics. Focus will be on the influence the community and ecosystem have on one another, and the potential for complementarity between the two. The course approaches economy and community by looking at the inherent interdependence, jointness, and potential complementarity as between the ecology and economy (utility) of a place.

Textbook information:

Daly, H. E. and Farley, J. Ecological Economics: Principles and Applications. Washington, D.C.: Island Press, 2004.

Farley, J., Erickson, J.D. and Daly, H.E. Ecological Economics: A Workbook for Problem-Based Learning. Washington, D.C.: Island Press, 2004. (OPTIONAL)

Instructor: Gary Lynne; [glynne@unlnotes.unl.edu](mailto:glynne@unlnotes.unl.edu)

Syllabus: <http://agecon.unl.edu/lynne/ecolecon/ecoleconsyllabus.htm>

**C Dev 512X: Sustainable Communities (3 credits) Taught by Iowa State University****Course Dates: August 25-December 19, 2008**

Students will learn the conceptual relationships among Community and Sustainable Development and Sustainable Communities and examine the social, environmental, and economic aspects of sustainable communities. The course includes analysis of public policy impacts on community sustainability, practical actions for enhancing sustainability, and changing power dynamics and reward structures involved in incorporating sustainability into Community Development.

Textbook information: TBD

Instructor: Jan Flora; [floraj@iastate.edu](mailto:floraj@iastate.edu)

**C Dev 513X: Economic Development Strategies & Programs (3 credits) Taught by Iowa State University****Course Dates: August 25-December 19, 2008**

Covers the most widely used strategies and programs for economic development within an action planning process. Retention and expansion of business and industry, retail development and downtown revitalization, incubating new firm creation, industrial attraction, and tourism development all will be covered. These are both strategies and programs that utilize all forms of capital from all sources, the private, public and nonprofit sector. Students will study the organized efforts to plan, build and manage each program.

Textbook information: Planning Local Economic Development (3rd Edition) by E.J. Blakely and T.K. Edwards, published in 2002 by Sage (paper) ISBN 0761924582

Instructor: Dave Peters; [dpeters2@unl.edu](mailto:dpeters2@unl.edu)

**C Dev 520: Orientation to Community Development (1 credit) Taught by Iowa State**

**Course Dates: September 2-November 3, 2008**

Introduction to the Community Development program. Focus on on-line delivery methods, graduate level research and writing, technology skills.

Textbook information: *No text is required*

Instructor: Mary Emery; [memery@iastate.edu](mailto:memery@iastate.edu)